

Application No. 10/556,851  
Amendment dated March 23, 2011  
Reply to Final Office Action of September 24, 2010

**CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that this paper is being electronically  
transmitted on March 23, 2011 (Date of Deposit)

March 23, 2011      /Manette Dennis/  
Manette Dennis (Reg. No. 30,623)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>Serial No. :</b>	10/556,851	<b>Confirmation No. :</b>	2134
<b>First Named Inventor:</b>	Kunihiko Matsushita	<b>Customer No. :</b>	44702
<b>Filing or 371(c) Date:</b>	November 14, 2005	<b>Art Unit:</b>	1615
<b>Attorney Docket No. :</b>	KPO-TSC-P2/TK-91/US	<b>Examiner:</b>	Melissa S. Mercier
<b>Title:</b> EXTERNAL PATCH CONTAINING ESTROGEN AND/OR PROGESTOGEN			

**AMENDMENT and RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office action mailed on September 24, 2010, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2  
of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.